

Cloze Paragraph: Old Mother Hubbard

Directions: Read the paragraph and choose the right word to fill in the blank.

fruit	her	none	The
tripe	She	went	when

Old Mother Hubbard
Went to the cupboard
To fetch 1.____ poor dog a bone;
But when she came there
2.____ cupboard was bare,
And so the poor dog had 3._____.

She took a clean dish
To get him some 4._____
But when she came back
He was smoking a pipe
5.____ went to the grocer's
To buy him some 6._____;
But when she came back
He was playing the flute.

She 7._____ to the baker's
To buy him some bread;
But 8._____ she came back
The poor dog was dead.

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1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____
7. _____
8. _____

Questions:

1. **Find two sets of rhyming words.**

2. **Dogs can't really play flutes. What do they like to do for fun?**

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Answer Key

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Went to the cupboard
To fetch **her** poor dog a bone;
But when she came there
The cupboard was bare,
And so the poor dog had **none**.

She took a clean dish
To get him some **tripe**
But when she came back
He was smoking a pipe
She went to the grocer's
To buy him some **fruit**;
But when she came back
He was playing the flute.

She **went** to the baker's
To buy him some bread;
But **when** she came back
The poor dog was dead.

Answers:

1. her
2. The
3. none
4. tripe
5. She
6. fruit
7. went
8. when